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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Mrs. J. M. Philbrook was in Portland last week.
Miss Grace Mills of West Bethel is teaching on Bird Hill.
Dr. F. B. Tuell was confined to his home by illness, Monday.
Miss Alice Russell spent Sunday with friends in Gorham, N. H.
Mrs. M. A. Merrill visited relatives in Gorham, N. H., Sunday.
Mr. W. M. Jefferson of Lynn, Mass., is visiting at E. A. Capen's.
Prof. W. S. Wight visited Gorham and Berlin, Saturday and Sunday.
Miss Geneva Hutchins of Portland is spending her vacation with her mother.
Mr. Alton Richardson returned to his studies at the University of Maine Monday.
Mr. William E. Abbott has gone to Cuscutup to clerk in the Berlin Mills Co.'s store.
Mr. Edw. King, our energetic jeweler and optician, is having his store piped for gas.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Lyon are visiting relatives in Auburn and attending the State Fair.
The Ladies' Church Aid will meet with Mrs. Ira Jordan Thursday afternoon of this week.
Mr. G. E. King has returned to Cuscutup, where he has charge of the Berlin Mills Co.'s storehouse.
Mr. John A. Archibald of Lancaster, N. H., spent Sunday with his brother, Henry O. Archibald.
The Relief Corps annual picnic will be held at the cottage of J. C. Billings, Songo Lake, next Friday.
Mrs. A. M. Farwell returned from West Bethel Flat Sunday, and will remain at home some weeks.
The corn shop shut down Saturday night, having put up 34,000 gallon cans of corn. Labeling began this week.
D. H. Mason has returned from the New Hampshire forest where he has been engaged in surveying the past summer.
There will be a free social at Garland chapel, Thursday evening, September 29, at 7.30 o'clock. All are cordially invited.
Messrs. Geo. B. Farnsworth and Fred B. Merrill are spending a few days at Bowdoin College before returning to their studies at Harvard.
The Annual Harvest Fair by the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church, will be held in Pattee Hall, Oct. 12, if pleasant, and if not, it will be held the 13th.
Mrs. J. M. Brock of Brockton, Mass., and Mrs. D. E. Edwards of Ft. Fairfield are guests of their mother, Mrs. A. M. Farwell. Mrs. Edwards is accompanied by her daughter, Miss Adelaide.
Letters for the following are advertised at the postoffice:
Charles Grover.
James Reed.
Geo. W. Richardson.
Harris Vebnot.
Walker & Chapman Heirs.
Next week comes the Bethel Fair. We would like a good show in the hall and the only way to have it is for all to take an interest and each one bring something to help the thing along.
COMMITTEE.
Hon. J. M. Philbrook had in his yard on High street, last Monday, some of the finest steers seen in Bethel for some time. These cattle were well-mated, handsome fellows, and would have delighted any wilder of the goad.
Mr. Balcomb, one of the overseers at the corn shop, was quite badly scalded in the face while testing cans, one day last week, by the breaking of a rope, which precipitated the cans into the hot water and threw it over him.
Mr. H. C. Barker, Mr. E. W. Barker, and Mr. A. S. Chapman went Shelburne, N. H., Sunday, to attend the funeral of a cousin, Mr. Charles E. Ingalls, who died in Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 17, and whose body was brought to Shelburne, his old home, for burial.

L. A. Hall is in attendance on the State Fair.

Miss Fickett of Casco has returned to her home.

Mr. Winslow was in town a short time Tuesday.

Miss Alice French is in Auburn for a couple of days.

J. U. Purington has had a new smokestack placed at his mill.

Mrs. Fred P. Chandler of South Paris visited her parents Tuesday.

Mr. E. L. Arno and son Ivan are attending the State Fair.

Mrs. Frank Merrill and Miss Maud Davis are in Lewiston this week.

Mrs. A. J. Knight of East Rumford was in town one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Bartlett of Phillips visited at John Swan's last week.

Miss E. E. Burnham has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Norman Buck of Norway.

Miss Mabel Kneeland of Harrison is the guest of Miss Evelyn Briggs at Ceylon Rowe's.

Miss Ada Cole and brother Jabez of Stark, N. H., are visiting their uncle, Orrin Ellingwood.

Rev. F. C. Potter expects to again occupy the pulpit at the M. E. church Sunday; also at Mason.

Miss Nellie Preble who is staying at Dr. Sturdivant's, went to East Bethel Tuesday for a short visit.

Miss Fannie Capen, Miss Alice Capen and their cousin, Mr. Wallace Jefferson, are attending the State Fair.

The members of the Ladies' Club are reminded that the annual meeting will be held next week Thursday.

Miss Grace Ames who has spent her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Ames, has returned to New York.

There will be one fare tickets sold on the Grand Trunk between Island Pond and Portland for the fair at Bethel next week.

Miss Mildred Jordan who has been visiting at Harry Jordans, is returned to her home in New Haven, Conn., yesterday.

Rev. and Mrs. Potter and son came to Bethel for a short time Monday, returning to North Bridgton on the afternoon train.

Prof. W. R. Chapman is attending the State Fair. He has two good horses, Bonnie Nelson and Miss Strike entered in the races.

Dr. Tuell will have charge of the Exhibition Building at the Fair next Tuesday and Wednesday as usual, assisted by Mrs. Orville Clough.

Rev. and Mrs. Webster Woodbury of South Framingham, Mass., have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Purington but will return to their home Friday.

Mr. L. T. Barker went to Locke's Mills Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Stephen Buck, one of the oldest citizens of the town, having reached the advanced age of ninety-four.

Next week is one of fairs. Bethel fair will be held at Riverside Park on Tuesday and Wednesday; the cattle show of the Oxford North Agricultural society will be held at Andover, Wednesday and Thursday, and the annual fair at North Waterford, Friday and Saturday.

Elbridge Potter, father of Rev. F. C. Potter passed from this life Monday evening, and will be buried on Thursday. He was in the 63rd year of his age and had always lived in North Bridgton. He has a number of acquaintances and some relatives in Bethel.

Prof. W. S. Wight started for Richmond, this morning, where he is to begin his winter's work with singing classes. Later he goes to Aroostook county and will hold a class in Caribou. He worked in Aroostook county several years ago and it is at the repeated requests of the people that he returns to them this winter.

EAST BETHEL.

The Rev. A. D. Colson, Universalist pastor at Bethel Hill, will preach at the church here Sunday afternoon.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

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Mass Meeting.

In addition to the speakers already announced for the Mass Meeting to be held in Odeon Hall on the evening of Oct. 10, viz: Dr. A. E. Winship, editor of the New England Journal of Education, and Prof. P. P. Claxton of the University of Tennessee, State Supt. W. W. Stetson will be present and participate in the meeting. With such a trio of speakers as these, Odeon Hall should be packed to the doors. Bethel has long held a reputation as an educational stronghold, and it is hoped our citizens young and old will turn out to listen to these speakers, all of whom are fully able to entertain, to interest and to instruct.

Bethel Fair.

Riverside Park Association holds its annual fair and races on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

We have been out of town and witnessed the grand success of other associations whose managers have tried no harder, worked no more diligently to that end than have those of this home fair; and it now behooves us, as citizens of Bethel and desirers of its prosperity, to make an individual effort to sustain this home institution.

This has been a bountiful year in garden, field, and orchard. Look over your stores and selecting your best, take it where others may rejoice with you in this bounty.

If another's exhibit is better than yours, learn your neighbor's method, and go ye and do likewise. Full bins make fat cattle, and as you proudly survey your long lines of sleek animals or only the one or two individuals in your possession, just think how much pleasure it would give the men who have stood by this association year after year to see some of your treasures in their stalls.

There are fine cattle, sheep, swine, and poultry enough in this vicinity to make a display that would call for all the hours of the former three days to look it over, admire its quality, and learn of its breeding. Then there are the horses. Bethel is one of the horse centers of western Maine, and were not excellent specimens carefully hoarded at home, a grand horse show would follow. Bring them out. Let other folks see what you are doing, and horsemen know where to look when they want something nice in your line.

The ladies have always been generous in their aid to increase the interest and add to the display. Bring of your handiwork, fancy work, bric-a-brac, curiosities, anything which will attract or hold the attention of the visitor, that the hall display may be the best ever seen on the grounds.

Secretary Hall has devoted much time and a vast amount of energy to the procuring of a large list of entries for the two days' races, and judging from his success some rare sport is in store for the lovers of horse racing.

Gen. W. P. Chadwick of Exeter, N. H., managing trustee of Phillips-Exeter Academy was drowned in the channel off Harbor Heights, Barnstable, Mass., Sunday, while in bathing.

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Train Wreck in Lewiston.

Maine Central train No. 24, due in Lewiston at 4.15, took an open switch at the Maine State Fair ground, at 4.10 Monday afternoon. It dashed into the siding, collided with loaded freight cars, left the rails and piled up in confusion, burying passengers, train hands, dead and wounded, in the ruins.

Hundreds of people saw the accident, as it occurred directly before the open gateway of the Fair grounds where a crowd of people were waiting for cars.

No. 24 was a heavy train consisting of locomotive, baggage car, the Pullman, smoker and two passenger coaches.

As the train, which was behind time and was running fast to make up the loss, struck the freight on the siding, the first freight car was thrown to one side. The locomotive then telescoped it and swept it toward the ditch. Just outside the outer track was a huge pile of railroad ties, into which the train dashed throwing them hundreds of feet. As the locomotive plowed into the obstruction it was literally torn to pieces. Part of the tender was found in the field. Part of it was flung a hundred rods into the cow pasture near it. Everything about it was in fragments while next to it with the top ripped off and lying exactly at right angles to the track was the baggage, express and mail car, while beneath it was the fragmentary evidence of the freight car telescoped and ridled by the engine.

A fire alarm was rung in and there was a rumor that the wreck was on fire. Water was turned on but fortunately the danger from fire was soon over.

The dead are William Kimball, the engineer, and Wm. M. Chapman, the fireman, both of whom jumped, Almon Hodgson of Boston, a government mail weigher, who died from internal injuries during the night, and Joseph Cook of Portland, a traveling engineer in the employ of the Maine Central who was buried in the wreck, but was dug out and did not appear to be seriously hurt, but died at the hospital Tuesday morning. There are at least two more victims in the Central Maine Hospital, where the injured were taken, who are seriously hurt.

The only articles of the express car that were not partially or completely demolished were the two companion safes of the American Express company. Mr. Bickford, the express messenger, who was badly burned, stood calmly by these and directed the work of rescue for more than half an hour.

He said: "Our train was late and we were making up time when the accident occurred. I should say we were running nearly sixty miles an hour. I had just grasped the bar near my window and was looking out into the fair grounds when I felt the car rocking under me. I should say that our entire train ground its way in the earth for more than 400 feet. The crash was frightful. I remembered nothing until I found myself struggling upward out of the mass of ruins. It seemed to me that I would never get to the surface."

It was not until Manager Tozier had arrived on the spot and had taken full charge of the safes that Mr. Bickford could be induced to leave and have his wounds dressed by a physician, a few feet from the wreck.

Inspector Heald of the Maine Central Railroad, Commissioners Spofford and Chadbourne visited the scene of the wreck Tuesday, and are preparing to hold a public investigation next week.

John R. Chase, the baggage master, and Eli Merriman, the mail clerk, are still in a serious condition although at an early hour this morning they were reported as being comfortable.

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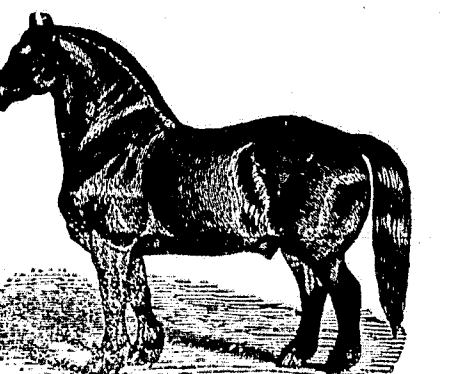
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TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave	1.20	6.30
Gorham,	3.21	8.20
Gilead,	3.45	8.38
West Bethel,	3.57	8.47
BETHEL, arrive,	4.05	8.53
Locke Mills,	4.22	9.00
Bryant Pond,	4.22	9.05
South Paris,	4.51	9.30
Lewiston,	5.30	10.30
Portland, arrive,	6.40	11.15
Boston, via rail,	12.45	4.10

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	3.15	1.30
Lewiston,	3.25	1.40
South Paris,	3.22	1.35
Bryant Pond,	4.02	10.45
Locke Mills,	4.12	10.53
BETHEL, arrive,	4.06	4.25
West Bethel,	4.35	11.10
Gilead,	4.51	11.22
Gorham,	5.20	11.50
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50
Montreal,	6.50	7.20
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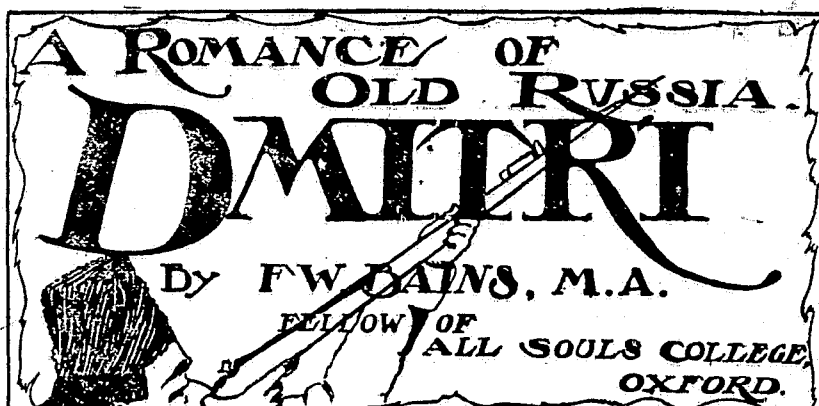
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LV.
Late in the evening, Prince Vassili Shuiski, to sit uneasily on his couch, vainly seeking a position which should give rest and relief to his excoriated shoulders; still sore from the effects of his knouting; but this he sought in vain.

"Ah, scoundrel of a Tsar!" he thought, "there shall come a day of reckoning between thee and me."

Accursed impostor, it shall go hard with me but I wipe off old scores. Thou hast chastised me with whips, but I will chastise thee with scorpions. St. Nicolas, St. Sergius—all the Saints in the calendar—will these infernal shoulders of mine never stop aching?"

A servant entered. "My lord, there is a man—a monk—below, who says he is a great doctor, and is come to cure your back."

"Cure my back, you villain? What do you mean?"

"My lord, the man insisted on my using those exact words."

"Flog him out with the dog-whips, and—no, stay! Bring him in here first; perhaps he may be the new buffoon Vorotinski told me of. Anyhow, the distinction may help me to forget this excruciating torture."

Shuiski looked curiously at the man as he entered. "Who are you, and what do you mean by sending such an extraordinary message?"

The monk dropped his hood, and fixed his eyes on the Prince. "Prince, I mean what I said; I am a doctor."

"I have five already, and if you are no more use than they are, beware of the scourge, you rogue!"

"The best men don't always escape scourging," replied the man; "and there are more wounds than those inflicted by the knout."

Prince, the iron has entered into thy soul. As I said, I come to cure you.

"The man is mad," thought Shuiski, "as he watched his strange visitor's gleaming eyes and twitching mouth."

"You are a bold rascal," he said aloud. "What is your cure?"

"I will tell you that, and your own hurt, in one word. I know what you were thinking of as I came in. Revenge is a fine thing. Prince Vassili Shuiski: is it not so?"

"He must be a spy, sent by the impostor to try me," thought Shuiski again. "Very cunning trick, but I will even with him."

"You may be something of a doctor, but you are no sorcerer, you scamp! I was thinking when you came in what sort of a woman this Polish bride of our Tsar will be."

"You are lying!" said the monk coolly, "because you are afraid I am a spy of the Tsar. Listen! Look at me, Prince, and you will think so no longer. Did I not say, revenge is sweet? Well, we both want it—I more than you, perhaps. Do you know me yet, or must I tell you who I am? I am Gregory Otrepleff. We saw each other at Uglitch, twelve years ago."

"Otrepleff!" cried Shuiski, with a start that made his shoulders ache again; "why, fool that I am of course! Yet I might be forgiven if I forgot you; twelve years have left their mark on you. Well, you renegade scoundrel, fine work you have made here! They say you were this impostor's right hand, and they say, too, he has cut you off and cast you away—ah, there's the sting! I see it in your face."

"Ay, said Otrepleff, without emotion, "it is so. He thought, poor young fool, he could kick away the ladder by which he had mounted. Well, Prince, you see now I am no spy. Do you understand me yet? I come to cure you."

"Why, no doubt we have all heard fine stories of your deeds on behalf of this scoundrel, my good Otrepleff. They say—he said himself—you had put him on the throne; but as to getting him off again, who are you?"

"I'm the only man in Russia who can undo my own work." "You think I'm bragging," said Otrepleff. "Well, it's not easy. But think, who knows the Tsar as well as I do—I who pulled him out of a fire at ten years old, and have been a father to him ever since?"

Shuiski laughed again. "It's a wise father that knows his own child. You didn't know, did you, your adopted son would play you such a dirty trick as this?"

"No, said the monk quietly, "I did not; but let that pass. Shall I prove to you that you cannot do without me?"

"Yes, by all means."

"If I tell you the one thing you must do to overturn him, if I tell you the way to do it, and show you how to do it—may, do it myself—will you believe me?"

"Perhaps."

"Then," said Otrepleff, "listen: There must arise another impostor. You did not think of that, you boyars, cunning as you are; yet that is the only way."

"How will that do any good? We shall only have two impostors instead of one."

Otrepleff smiled scornfully. "I told you, you needed me. You do not know the people; I do. If there should arise a new impostor, they will begin to

doubt about this first one. Now, do you see?"

Shuiski uttered an ejaculation. "By—Otrepleff, you are the devil. Another impostor! what an ideal! A new claimant! Yes, you must be the devil himself. But where are we to find him?"

"Leave that to me," said the monk. "Only let a month from to-day go by before you attempt any new schemes. And in the meantime you must change your attitude. Do not oppose anything the Tsar may do that tramples on old customs and observances. Rather try and incite him to violate national prejudices in every possible way; the end will come all the sooner. Do you see?"

"Otrepleff," said Shuiski, "you are a miracle. You are right; we are all babies compared with you. We needed you badly. I tell you, when the impostor has fallen, I will not forget you."

"I know what you are thinking of," answered Otrepleff, with a peculiar smile; "you mean to be Tsar yourself. Advice is always thrown away, but I warn you, do not think of it; if so, you will come to a bad end. As for me, I shall not need your rewards by then. I want no rewards; I work for my own hand, and for no one else."

"Remember, wait for a month. Before it is over you shall hear strange news."

He turned and went out.

LVI.
The days flew by. March was dying, but it was icy cold at Moscow. The snow lay deep upon the ground.

The council broke up. "In three months, then, we shall be all ready, and then, woe to the Tartars!" exclaimed Dmitri. "But practice, my lords, practice is what we want now. I hope you are all coming out to Viazema this morning, gentlemen, to see our sham fight. Those who find themselves too old to brave the deadly snowballs will find plenty of sport in looking on. We begin at two."

"Three months hence," muttered Shuiski under his breath, as the Tsar left the room, "the Tartars will trouble you no more."

Over the white snow the gay sledges flew along; but the afternoon was growing old before they arrived at Viazema, for they had started late, and the days were short.

Half a mile from the convent a huge fort of snow had been erected on a rising mound. A high wall of snow ran round it, encircled itself by a deep ditch. The plan of action was soon formed. About fifty young nobles, commanded by Basmanof and Galitzin, entered the fortification, and prepared to repel the attack of a select detachment of the Tsar's bodyguard, led by Dmitri himself. Those who did not fight flew about in their sledges, and occasionally stopping close to the towers, excited the combatants to do their utmost by their plaudits and cheers.

The signal was given by the discharge of a musket, and the game began. The depth of the ditch, and the slippery sides of the wall, at first defied all the efforts of the besiegers. From the summit of the snowy palisade the besieged Russians rained down a hail of snowballs; and loud was the laughter as man after man, as he all but scaled the rampart, struck full in the eyes with a well-aimed shot, lost his balance and rolled in the snow.

Gradually, as one or another lost his temper a little, the fun grew somewhat more earnest. The Russians within the fort, afraid of hurting the Tsar, who hurried about, attempting any point which seemed to offer the best opportunity, did not dare to retaliate in kind. The Tsar at length, with a small force of four or five of his best men, amidst a hail of offensive missiles, succeeded in effecting an entrance, partly owing to the sudden fall of part of the wall, and rushing in with a shout of delight, followed by his supporters, appeared suddenly on the top of the interior castle, and the victory was won.

"Gallantly done, my men!" he cried joyously, brushing the snow from his fur, "admirable!"

Next summer, by God's help, we will take Azof as easily from the Tartars. Truce, gentlemen, truce for ten minutes."

The action stopped; but the besieged, many of whom were seriously cut and wounded on the face with fragments of ice and stones, stood sulkily apart, and conversed in small knots.

"We'll begin again in five minutes!" shouted Dmitri gaily, after a pause, "and reverse the positions. Some one repair the breach in the wall there."

But as he stood laughing and talking with his men, a young noble approached, and drawing him aside, said—

"Tsar, forgive me, but don't begin again. The game may be sport to you, but it's very serious earnest with me. They dare not use the stones and ice that you men do; they don't love you, some of them; they are hurt and angry, and they carry sharp knives. It may be fighting in real earnest in another ten minutes."

Dmitri started, and looked at the



"Forgive me! save yourselves!"

discomfited ranks of the besieged. He saw enough to corroborate the young man's advice; some of the young nobles were throwing seditious glances at himself and his more prominent companions, many of whom were Poles or Cossacks.

After a minute's hesitation he decided not to reopen the combat. Announcing that the day was getting dark, and that it was too late for a second engagement, he re-entered his sledge and drove home, followed by the rest of the company.

Night was falling as they entered Moscow. The knots of people gathered together in earnest conversation, and their fixed curious stare attracted the Tsar's attention. As soon as he reached the Kremlin, he got out, and sent his driver back to find out what was the matter.

The man soon returned. "Tsar, bid me not be chastised, if the news is unwelcome."

"Speak out."

"Tsar, there has been a great disturbance in the town. The people thought—it was said—that the Tsar was massacring the principal boyars at Viazema, by means of his Poles and Cossacks."

Dmitri said nothing, but went in.

LVII.
As he entered, Iwanicki came towards him.

"Ah, Iwanicki, you should have been with us; we had some grand sport. It ended a little seriously, but it was splendid. What a pity you had a bad ankle."

Iwanicki stretched out his foot. "There's nothing the matter with my ankle."

"Why, I thought you said—"

"Yes, I told you this morning I had. I thought it would be as well, this morning, to have a sprained ankle."

"What do you mean?"

"Viazema is a long way from Moscow."

"Well?"

"And a good many boyars didn't go with you."

"Well, I thought it would be as well to have a bad ankle. One can never tell; when the cat's away the mice will play, and you might have found it difficult to get in, perhaps, when you came back."

Dmitri looked at him. "Do you really think it's as bad as that?"

"General, have you heard the rumors?"

"What! about my massacring the boyars? Oh yes."

"That's not the worst; that only rose from the other."

"Which?"

"It's rather a curious thing. They say—a pretender—Iwanicki turned away—has arisen on the Don, giving himself out to be the Tsarevitch Peter Fedorovitch, and that a good many Cossacks are for him."

Dmitri started, this time in good earnest.

"You see, General, there is probably not much danger, but it will make people talk—and compare."

In fact, I was rather glad when you came back. They were beginning to get restless, these Muscovites, and they looked at your humble servant, said Iwanicki, laughing, 'in no very pleasant manner.'

"Iwanicki, you're right. I've noticed a good many things myself. This new Tsarevitch, yes, I see through it all. Do you know who is at the bottom of it? It's that restless busy-body, Otrepleff; I know the look of his work. It was not wise of me to make the man my enemy. So this is his game—well, no, I didn't anticipate this move, but we'll see."

These foolish old boyars would never have thought of a trick like that. Yes, it's Otrepleff. The rogue; he's the very devil at intrigue."

"The fact is, we want action; a victory or two over the Tartars—there's what I need, only—let Marina come, and we'll be off."

"Iwanicki, he went on presently, 'it was good of you; you are a true friend; but you shall have no more bad ankles while I'm away. I'll not leave you behind to be slaughtered by a rising of these villains.'

Ah! wait a bit, my conspiring boyars; next time I'll be a heavy weight to you all. The great thing is, how to deal with this rumor well. Let me see."

"How do you think it would do to accept it as true, eh, Iwanicki? and send and invite the Tsarevitch Peter to come and see his uncle, and prove his claim, and assure him of being well treated. That's it, that's it. That's the plan. Ah! Otrepleff, I'll beat you at your own game."

LVIII.
Near Moscow, on the very spot where Dmitri had pitched his camp before entering his capital for the first time, a spacious pavilion had been erected for the reception of Marina and her escort. They had arrived in the morning, and after discharging a sumptuous collation that had been prepared for them, the Palatine of Sandomir, the Princess Wisniewski, and a few other Polish nobles, Vlassief and his suite, Marina herself, and a



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and his features working convulsively.

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"What did you want to disturb me for?" crossly replied Sig. Pillwill-winski, the eminent pianist, opening his eyes. "I was right in the middle of a difficult concerto!"—Chicago Tribune.

Heard on the Beach.

"I haven't seen Miss Peckoly in the surf this season," remarked the first summer girl.

"No," rejoined summer girl No. 2; "she never goes near the water."

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Echoes From the Past. Dionysius, casually called Democles' attention to the sword suspended above his head by a single hair.

"I noticed it, when I sat down," said Democles, "and at first sight of it I was a good deal

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What Can Be Done to Improve Them.

We have seen impassable mudholes in public roads within 100 feet of stone and gravel enough to fill them. Such conditions exist everywhere, but there has been no systematic attempt to improve the public highways. In very many cases people travel through the mud, year after year, within a few miles of enough material to make every principal road in the country a hard road. We have been studying road laws, and watching the good roads conventions for several years, and we note these facts: The more laws the less good roads; and that the work of the conventions ends in talk. Much can be done to improve the roads in level countries by keeping the road bed well rounded up, so that the water may run off easily, but an over-enthusiastic superintendent, with plenty of men and horses and a big road machine, can pile up enough earth in a day to spoil two miles of roads.

Where people are poor and land in the same condition, there may be some excuse for bad roads, but where land is worth upward of \$80 an acre, there should be a hard road upon all the main traveled highways, if it cost \$5,000 a mile.

Dragged Roads.

A man testifies as follows: "I could send a man over the road to-day, muddy as it is, and he would know within three feet of the place where I began to drag." Another relates the following: "The driver hitched one horse to a buggy, and at a time when the roads should have been almost impassable, and the other roads in the bottom actually terrible, we drove in a trot the entire distance without a break." The writer was making a visit to a farm in the country. Another writer, a liveryman, says: "The dragged parts of this road are so much the best that they seem to be in another country, or made out of different stuff."

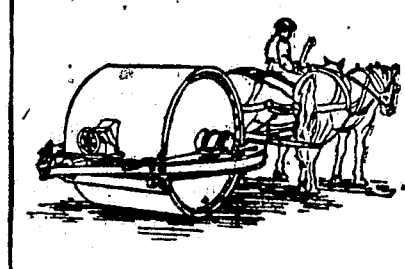
Such testimony ought to induce farmers everywhere to try this inexpensive method of road improvement, at least in front of their own premises, unless they are already blessed with roads that are satisfactory.

Farmers and Good Roads.

Broken automobiles and buggies, unfinished tours and all kinds of troubles, will, from all appearances, bring about a great change in the condition of country roads and in the maintenance of public highways.

The change for the better will be of much importance to the farmer. The country roads are maintained and repaired by the farmers, who lower, or wipe out their taxes. This custom has been followed for years. Those interested in good roads have come to a realization that the only way to secure betterment of roads is to compel the farmer to pay his taxes instead of working them out on the roads.

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From the Illinois Experiment station we are in receipt of circular No. 78 on the "Improvement of Dairy Herds," by Herbert A. Hooper, assistant in dairy husbandry. A summary of this bulletin follows:

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5. Since the producer cannot fix the price of his dairy products he must study economy of production, and is thus forced to look into the possibilities of his individual cows.

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THE CIRCUS AT PEKIN.

State Performance for the Dowager Empress of China.

A state circus performance was lately given before the Dowager Empress of China, and a member of the troupe, Mr. J. P. Schooner, describes the curious event in the Japan Times. Chatre's circus was conducted to the summer palace with much ceremony, imperial guards lining the route, and one of the royal houses was placed at its disposal. A huge tent was erected near the large lake, and two little yellow-painted booths were built for her majesty and the suite. As soon as all the preparations were completed, the royal party came from the palace in the imperial steam launch. The empress was escorted by several large barges, splendidly decorated, with imperial guards, and a small group of handsomely adorned Chinese ladies, highly painted, with headgear of the most elaborate designs, adorned with pink, yellow, and pale-blue flowers, and wearing pearls and beads of different hues. The imperial party arrived at 4 p. m., the empress being carried to her booth in a sedan chair from the landing. Arrived at the booth, her majesty comfortably seated herself on a couch placed in the centre of the booth. The emperor took his station, standing just outside the doorway to the left, and the ladies in waiting stationing themselves on either side of the empress. The high officials, about twenty in number, stood some to the right and some to the left, and about 400 soldiers filled in the space where the gallery usually is.

The empress, after receiving a lighted cigarette from one of the ladies in waiting, requested that the performance be commenced. Mr. Chatre, accompanied by the circus' staff, advanced into the arena and, after saluting her majesty in royal Indian fashion, according to the native custom when visiting a royal head, he presented her majesty with a diamond ring set with seven large diamonds, a cashmere shawl highly embroidered with threads of gold in elaborate Indian designs, and he also presented the baby elephant, five years old. The gifts were all graciously accepted by the empress. Her majesty was very much interested in the balancing acts, as well as the india rubber babies, constantly directing her binoculars, which were inlaid in solid gold, at the performers.

After the conclusion of the performance her majesty ordered in the tiger cage. She showed great interest while examining this animal. After the removal of this cage the lion cage was brought in, but this did not interest her majesty so much as the tiger. On her way back to the imperial launch she beckoned to one of the dwarf clowns and minutely examined him, showing much curiosity, and asking his age, nationality, and whether he liked Pekin.

Worth Trying.

He—I understand for some maladies physicians are recommending yawning.

She—Yawning, as the clock strikes 12—Yes, I think I'll try it for that tired feeling.

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SECRET OF LIVING LONG.

Swiss Believes in the Abstinence of Salt and Water.

A curious-looking man of strange habits and with a mission that is even stranger, has just arrived in London from Ascona, on Lake Maggiore, Switzerland. He has taken up his residence in the vicinity of Colney Hatch lane, N., and he believes that in abstinence from salt and water lies the secret of long life.

Herr Joseph Salomonson, the gentleman in question, wanders about the North London highways wearing a cassock of brown corduroy encircled at the waist by a girdle. His long brown, wispy hair, unnumbered by hat, hides his collarless neck, and a ragged-edged beard droops over the open part of his gown. His feet are incased in sandals, and at times he carries a staff that reaches to his shoulders. Altogether his appearance is reminiscent of figures in Scriptural illustrations.

Herr Salomonson's object is to try to induce London's 6,000,000 inhabitants to refrain from eating salt and drinking all manner of liquids, even water. He himself, so he asserts, has not taken any kind of liquid since Sept. 1, 1901, and he has eschewed salt for a longer period.

At Ascona he has established a colony of devoted disciples, male and female, who do likewise. Moreover, they work in a state of primitive absence of attire, separated by wooden partitions; and when the weather permits, they even sleep in this state on the bare ground. Herr Salomonson appreciates the difficulty of this part of his programme being carried out in London. "But," he explained the other day, "there are plenty of suitable sites within an hour's railway journey from the city."

He saw no reason, however, why London should not at once abandon the eating of salt and the drinking of liquids. "Salt," he averred, "is the beginning of all evil. It is ruinous to the body, damaging to the soul and destructive of the intellect. Water or any other form of liquid is a mere burden to the stomach and has no value at all."

In short, Herr Salomonson, who is a man of considerable intelligence, believes that if people followed his example there would be no sickness. During the twenty-six months that no drop has passed his lips he has lost in weight 62 pounds, but feels many years younger and much stronger.

"There is not a sound man in the world," he declared, "and yet people who eat salt and drink water live to be as old as 90 or even 100. When we live a natural life I see no reason why we should not attain to 200 or 250 years. I believe in the ages mentioned in the Bible, and I believe we should live as long in these days if we lived on the lines intended for humanity. That is my mission here."—London Mail.

Wit Was Rewarded.

Most of us are able to supply a repartee if we are given time to think it over, but a repartee half an hour after the occasion for it has passed is like a blank cartridge. It is the readiness of the retort that makes it effective.

The great Russian soldier, Marshal Suvoroff, was in the habit of asking his men difficult questions, sometimes foolish ones, and bestowing favors on those who showed presence of mind in answering him.

On one occasion a general of division sent him a sergeant with dispatches at the same time recommending the bearer to Suvoroff's notice. The marshal, as usual, proceeded to test him by a series of whimsical questions.

"How far is it to the moon?" was the first query.

"Two of your excellency's forced marches," the soldier promptly replied.

"If your men began to give way in a battle, what would you do?"

"I'd tell them that just behind the enemy's line there was a wagon load of good things to eat."

"How many fish are there in the sea?"

"Just as many as have not been caught."

And so the examination went on, till Suvoroff, finding his new acquaintance armed at all points, at length put a final poser.

"What is the difference between your colonel and myself?"

"The difference is this," replied the soldier, coolly, "my colonel cannot make me a captain, but your excellency can."

Suvoroff, struck by his shrewdness, kept his eye upon the man, and soon afterward gave him the promotion for which he had hinted.—Stray Stories.

A Mountain of Alum.

German newspapers report that an "alum mountain" exists in China, which is not only noted as a natural phenomenon, but is also a source of wealth for the people of the vicinity. The mountain is said to have a circumference at the base not less than ten miles and is nearly 1,000 feet high. The alum is quarried in immense blocks, is then heated in large ovens, and afterward dissolved in boiling water. From this liquid the alum crystallizes in layers of about half a foot in thickness, which are cut up in blocks of ten pounds each. The Chinese use it mainly for purifying water.

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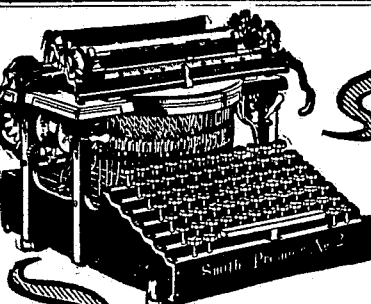
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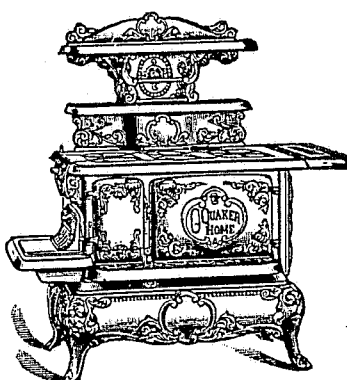
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One Great Need of Our Time.

The lack of perseverance is one of the greatest hindrances to success in the case of the average man, or woman.

In whatever course we find man we shall surely discover that if he fails to succeed it will be because of one of two reasons: either current circumstances with lack of genius and preparation have combined to form obstacles which it is impossible for him to surmount, or he lacks determination, hope, or in other words, perseverance.

It is true, also, that one may have perseveringly pursued a certain line of work or a profession for the larger part of his life, and exhausted his capacity for active and useful service, and yet has not been a pronounced success, as the term is commonly understood. But in such cases it is not true that one has been a failure—applying the profoundest definition of the term, for he has, at least, in his earnest, conscientious efforts, exercised such faculties, and developed such character that counts for infinitely more in the end than confers of gold or the praises of the world.

However, our observation in the past leads us to remark without fear of being deemed rash, that nine times out of ten, failure comes along the line of any well-chosen vocation because of the instability and hopelessness of the character who pursues it. Hasty choice is many times the key to the mystery. One should not make a thoughtless, hasty choice when the world offers almost a limitless list of vocations all of which are honorable, as they serve the real needs of man. For no calling is dishonorable wherein the material, intellectual, moral or spiritual good and elevation of man is promoted.

We are all servants of the world, of humanity; but the degree of our servitude is great or small in proportion to the number of our fellowmen who are served by the work we do, or the profession we follow. Therefore it may be truly said that he who occupies the so-called higher and more honorable stations of life are much more servants of the world than are those who occupy the humbler and sometimes-called mental positions of life.

But we apprehend that a great difficulty lies in the fallacy of the desire to do something conspicuously honorable and noteworthy, and thereby so many choose a vocation for which they are unqualified either by natural ability or training, and failure—the inevitable result—follows, there being an insufficient amount of stability and hope to overcome these natural obstacles. A bungler or a failure in a so-called high calling is much more to be regretted, and even deplored and often more disgraced than a proficient, steady-going or even partially successful man in one of the so-called—humbler vocations.

It is the faithfulness and efficiency with which we pursue a vocation, rather than the vocation itself that counts in the formation of character, in the real value to the individual who follows it.

A vocation well chosen, however humble it may be considered by us weak, erring, and superficial mortals—allowing that it be taken up with some natural ability and followed perseveringly—will lead to a goal of character and honor that will demand the regard of the Almighty, if it does not draw upon the shallow resources of the world's commendation and favor.

And the happy result of all this lies not so much in the fact of the accomplishment and the applause

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received, as in the consciousness of having done one's duty and thereby co-operating with the Creator in providing for the necessities of our fellow creatures.

The great talent or virtue of perseverance has been the key to success in many famous cases. The great Newton being once asked by what means he had worked out his extraordinary discoveries, replied, "By always thinking towards them." He was governed by an eye single to the one great object he had in mind, and success came by his indomitable determination, unflinching, and persevering effort to gain the goal of his ambition.

Now, it is truly said that perseverance depends on three things: purpose, will, enthusiasm. One must have a worthy purpose, then he will concentrate his forces. Therefore, by the will constantly educated, his hope and plan will be saved from vanishing into air castles, and his progress, though sometimes seemingly slow, will be perceptible, and an intelligent enthusiasm will keep the interest up and not allow the obstacles to expand from their proper dimensions of a mole hill into those of a mountain.

Sometimes in our impatience we are inclined to look on perseverance as plodding, and get uneasy with careful steady efforts of any kind. It is, indeed, plodding in a certain sense, but by it even so great a height as Mont Blanc is scaled. On the other hand, he who is too impetuous to exercise the talent of perseverance soon tires of the climb or falls injured; and the object is unfinished, the height not reached. "The young man or woman who thinks he or she must win through mere smartness or 'tidling wits' usually meets failure at last."

In a very great sense, life is a battle. There is indeed an unending struggle within ourselves to make the better part rule the worse, if we understand the real object of our being and our business in life.

St. Paul's life was filled with this fact. He eloquently speaks of it and sums it all up by saying, "I forget much of the failure and disgrace of the past, and press forward toward nobler things to come." If we want to improve our condition in any respect, the line of perseverance is the only one which we can successfully follow. We must set our standard high, then try with all our mind and strength to reach the object of our quest.

Among the many noble illustrations of this great trait of perseverance is that of Dr. Heinrich Schliemann who was born at Kalkorst, Mecklenburg-Schwerin, in 1822. He was the son of a poor Lutheran clergyman, and was intended for a university career, but this plan could not be carried out. When he was nine years old his mother died. There being seven children, his education became a difficult matter, and Heinrich was sent to his uncle with whom he studied a year. When he was fourteen he was apprenticed to a small grocer where his duties consisted of selling the ordinary articles of a country store. This was somewhat distasteful to him for he had but very little time for the cultivation of his mind. But he was determined to learn Greek. One evening there came to the shop a man who had been born in better circumstances and received a liberal education, but who had been unfortunate and come down in the world, yet he had not forgotten his Homer. "That evening," said Dr. Schliemann, "he recited to me about a hundred lines of the poet, observing the rhythmic cadence of the verses. Although I did not understand a syllable, the melodious sound of the words made a deep impression upon me, and I wept bitter tears over my unhappy fate. Three times over did he repeat to me those divine verses, I rewarding his trouble with the few pennies that made up my whole wealth. From that moment I never ceased to pray that I might have the happiness of learning Greek."

After five years in this grocery store, Heinrich had to give up his

work. In this delicate condition it was difficult to find another place and in despair he bound himself as a cabin boy, sold his only coat to buy a blanket for the voyage, and set sail for Venezuela. The ship was wrecked on the Dutch coast. After drifting for nine hours in a little boat, he was picked up and taken to Holland. Here he decided to remain, and his first year was spent as an office boy in a warehouse. In this capacity, he took advantage of the perfect mental leisure, as he ran errands and carried letters to and from the post. In his own words: "I never went on errands, even in the rain, without having a book in my hand and learning something by heart."

He was desirous of learning Russian, and, as no teacher of the language was to be found in the town, he learned by heart the Russian translation of Telemachus. He hired, for four francs a week, a poor Jew to whom he repeated this poem every evening. The Jew could endure it, but Schliemann's fellow lodgers, who had to hear it through thin board partitions, did not feel themselves equally bound to endure, so the persevering youth had to change his lodgings twice during this educational period.

Then his employers sent him to St. Petersburg as their agent. In 1850, he became an American citizen. He prospered, so that in 1858 he believed he had made a sufficient fortune to enable him to devote himself to his favorite study of archaeology. This meant the learning of some more languages, permission from the Turkish government, and very many preliminary difficulties which had to be overcome before he could make the excavations which were in his plans.

The story of Dr. Schliemann's career from this time is full of the same trait which marked his previous efforts. The spade that he used brought to light some of the richest revelations from a buried past. Many theories which he put out and found ridiculed were proven to be true. The great quality of his character served to make him victor.

One great need of our time is perseverance. We do not stand by our plans faithfully. Fashion or criticism or temporary weariness or fickleness of taste leads us off, and we have to begin our work all over.

If we look into the history of every noted invention, or read the lives of musicians who were born with genius, but wrought out triumph by perseverance, we shall find on all sides that nothing valuable has been accomplished without this noble trait. The same rule holds good in the life of the individual. To ameliorate the evil conditions that do exist, to alleviate the suffering that may exist, and to raise in general the moral standard of living and insure stability of any town, requires indomitable courage, and persevering effort on the part of every loyal citizen; and no one can assume the responsibility devolving upon another in this matter.

A. D. COLSON.

Letter to D. G. Lovejoy

Bethel, Me.

Dear Sir: There are these five ways of badness in paint:

- (1) stuffed-out with chalk, or something like that;
- (2) barytes, better than chalk, but no covering to it; nobody know it's there;
- (3) benzine in the oil, or water, or other such stuff;
- (4) too thin—too much liquid, whatever it is for the solid;
- (5) short measure;

Now will you buy by the price per "gallon"?

We furnish our agents with a State chemist's certificate of analysis that tells what's in Devoe.

Yours truly
F. W. DEVOE & Co.

NEW YORK
P. S. G. R. Wiley sells our paint.

BORN.

In Springfield, Mass., Sept. 21, to Mr. and Mrs. James Rush, a daughter.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Work has begun on a Christian Science church, the only one in the State, in Gardiner.

Eighty-three indictments, mostly liquor cases, were returned by the grand jury in Androscoggin county.

The forty-third annual State Fair is being held in Lewiston this week and already is claimed to be the best ever given in the State.

Bowdoin, Colby, Bates, and the University of Maine all opened last Thursday with a greater number of pupils registered than ever before.

Rand & Sons of Stetson, Me., have raised a yoke of oxen which are said to be the largest in the world. They girth nine feet, two inches, and weigh 7,160 pounds.

The new Wanamaker store in Philadelphia, the largest store in the world, is to be built of Maine granite, and the first stone, one weighing three tons, arrived last week.

Irving Kimball, aged ten years, son of Don Kimball of Mexico, was accidentally shot and fatally wounded by Russell Bishop, a playmate, who was handling a revolver, Sunday.

The lumber mill at Welchville was discovered to be on fire Saturday between 4 and 5 o'clock, and was entirely destroyed. Loss about \$2,000, with no insurance. The mill was owned by J. W. Brackett of Portland.

The property of the Bath Iron Works and the Hyde Windlass Co., was sold at auction at Bath, for \$565,000. The sale was really a matter of legal form in connection with the affairs of the United States Shipbuilding Co., and the works were bidden off by the reorganization committee.

Arthur Wheeler, aged 35 and Rufus Small, 31, were drowned in the Saco river about four miles above Biddeford, Saturday, by the capsizing of a row boat. Harry Billings of Saco was with them at the time. One of the men was smoking a pipe which one of his companions wanted and in attempting to get it, the boat was upset. Billings was unable to rescue either one. All three men were employed in the Saco and Pattee Machine shops and were on a gunning trip.

Rigby Park, once the pride of New England, is now nothing more than a pile of boards. The track is overgrown with weeds and grass and one upon looking at it would never recognize the famous place, where horsemen from all over the country used to gather. The gateway and entrances have been removed some time, being placed in position at Waterville, where the Central Maine fair is held annually. The larger portion of the outer fence has also been removed, as has been the fence surrounding the track. The judges' stand and the stables, together with the big grand stand, have all disappeared and in their positions nothing remains, but a huge pile of boards which are being fast carried off by the contractors. Souvenir hunters gather there daily to take away some keepsake, and every stray bolt and horse shoe is being carried off. Sunday there were men at work removing timber and it is expected that the work will continue until the snow falls. In the meanwhile local patrons of the horse are sighing for a track.

Has Sold a Pile of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for more than twenty years and it has given entire satisfaction. I have sold a pile of it and can recommend it highly. JOSEPH MCLENNAN, Linton, Iowa. You will find this remedy a good friend when troubled with a cough or cold. It always affords quick relief and is pleasant to take.

Early Risers
The famous little pills.

GENERAL NEWS.

Mrs. Emily Everett, 105 years old, died Friday at her home, 23 Berkeley street, Cambridge, Mass. She was the daughter of Rev. Dr. Abiel Abbott, and was born in Haverhill, Feb. 4, 1799.

The department of admissions of the World's Fair has given out a statement showing that the admissions for six days ending Sept. 24 totalled 770,418. The total number of admissions since the fair opened is 11,792,848.

Nine thousand men returned to work without union regulations of any sort Monday, when the three Chicago branches of the International Harvesters Works and the Pullman company re-opened their shops after a shut-down of two weeks.

A fast freight on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad struck a wagon loaded with 750 pounds of dynamite at a crossing in West Virginia, Friday. By the explosion which followed two persons were killed and nine injured, three of them seriously.

The death list, as a result of the fearful wreck on the southern road near New Market, Tenn., Saturday, when two passenger trains collided head on, had reached 62 Monday, and will probably exceed 70, as there are several of the 100 injured in a very critical condition.

Admiral George Dewey, Friday, received the congratulations of his fellow officers and friends on the fiftieth anniversary of his entry into the naval service. Of the seventy-three midshipmen who entered the Naval Academy on September 23, 1854, the Admiral is the only one on the active list.

Nine school girls, ranging in age from eight to thirteen years, were suffocated in the vault under an out house at the Pleasant Ridge school near Cincinnati, Ohio, last Friday. The floor gave way precipitating about thirty girls into the vault below, but all except the smaller ones were rescued.

The body of Wm. R. Brown of Northwood, N. H., for whom the police were searching as the suspected murderer of Wm. Jenkins, was found, Saturday, about a mile from the man's home. It was apparent that he had committed suicide by shooting. The authorities were seeking Brown on the strength of the statement of Frank Hill, held as a witness that Brown had killed Jenkins Thursday night, while all three men were returning from the Rochester fair.

Slowly undermined by a small brook, the 125 foot embankment of the White Mountain Division of the Maine Central railroad at Crawford Notch, caved in, Sunday, leaving nearly 100 feet of rails suspended in the air, and cutting off telephone and telegraph communications for several hours. Traffic to the mountains will be carried on over the Plymouth division of the Boston & Maine railroad until the embankment is repaired which will probably be two or three weeks.

The eruption of Mount Vesuvius continues to increase in force and is now more violent than at any time since 1872. Red hot stones are hurled to a height of 1,600 feet, falling down the flanks of the mountain with a deafening sound. Many of the population of surrounding villages have left their homes and are camped in the open air. The curiosity of tourists to approach the volcano is such that a large number of carabinieri guards have been detailed to prevent them crossing the prescribed limits.

An electric car containing thirty-two people was blown to pieces at eight o'clock, last Wednesday night in Melrose, Mass., by striking a fifty pound box of dynamite that had fallen from an express wagon. Six people were killed outright, three more died from their injuries within an hour and nineteen others on the car were taken to the two local hospitals suffering from all sorts of wounds. At least a score of people in the immediate vicinity of the explosion were treated for cuts from flying glass and splinters.

WANT COLUMN.

WANTED—American women between 18 and 30 years of age to work as attendants in the Medfield Insane Asylum at Medfield Junction, Mass., 20 miles from Boston. Wages increase with length of service. An opportunity to become a trained nurse. Address, Dr. EDWARD FRENCH, Medfield, Mass.

AGENTS WANTED, AT LIBERAL COMMISSION

To introduce and sell "Sunshine," the best furniture polish in the world. It sells on sight. You can make money this winter. For particulars write, OREN HOOPER & SONS, Portland, Me.

Farm for Sale.

A nice farm situated in Lewiston within three miles of the city, on electric road; fifty acres of land, about equally divided as to pasture and tillage land; has thirty or forty fruit trees; a spring of pure water near house, also nice well water, excellent set of farm buildings including large hen-house, new; cellar under house, all and stable; excellent land to cultivate, and cuts twenty-five tons of hay; early land, and excellent markets for vegetables, berries and all farm produce; never failing brook runs through the pasture. Will sell at a bargain and on easy terms. For particulars inquire of, or address,

E. C. BOWLER, Bethel, Maine.

Wanted.

Teachers for graded and ungraded schools. Write to THE MAINE TEACHERS' AGENCY, Bethel, Maine.

For Sale.

One second-hand cook stove and one chamber stove; bargains on both.

E. H. YOUNG, Bethel, Maine.

For Sale.

One second-hand custom-made driving harness, in good condition.

C. H. HARVEY, NEWS Office.

Notice.

I wish to give notice that I have hired the Blacksmith Shop of J. C. Billings and am prepared to do Horse Shoeing and Jobbing; have had large practices in city work Call and see me.

L. E. BATES, Bethel, Me.

For Sale.

A horse, weight, 1200 lbs., ten years old; work in any place. Inquire of

E. STOWELL, Cor. of Elm and Winter Sts., 3w17 p Bethel, Maine.

For Sale.

One pair of horses seven and eight years old, 3000 lbs.; one odd horse ten years old, 1575 lbs.; one colt three years old; one colt two years old, and seven weanling colts.

J. A. TWADDLE, Bethel, Maine.

Stoves for Sale.

A "Model Cook" Range for coal or wood, been used very little; also a good Parlor Coal Stove, medium size.

C. L. DAVIS, Bethel, Maine.

For Sale.

A perfectly safe family horse; good roader. Also harness and wagon. Formerly the property of the late Moses A. Mason.

MRS. ANGELLA CLARK, 3w19 Mill Hill, Bethel.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and four. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Free Press News, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris on the third Tuesday of October, A. D. 1904, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

MARY J. THURSTON late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by Jacob A. Thurston, the executor therein named.

ANNAT, HARDEN late of Gilead, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof presented by the appointment of H. H. Hastings as administrator with the will annexed, presented by Emma S. Lary, a daughter.

ELIZABETH J. TYLER late of Bethel, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Elmer C. Park, administrator.

JOHN C. ANDERSON of Bethel, ward, first account presented for allowance by Edna F. Anderson, guardian.

EUGENE L. AND ANNIE E. FLINT of Albany, ward; first account presented for allowance by Laura A. Flint, guardian.

ARIEL T. CARVER, late of Bethel, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Albert W. Grover, administrator.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court. A true copy—attest: ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

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GROVER HILL.

Fine weather since the recent storm.

Two very heavy frosts here last week.

Miss Gwendolyn Stearns, who is teaching in the Wight district, Milan, N. H., was at home over Sunday.

John Upton, Roscoe Emery and grandson, Carl Penley, were over Grover Hill, Sunday.

Milford Browne and daughter Frances were at True Browne's Sunday morning.

Mrs. A. L. Whitman is away at work for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Horne of Milan, N. H., are guests at Peter Wheeler's.

Wm. Bragg of Errol, N. H., was through this section Saturday.

A Power for Good.

The pills that are potent in their action and pleasant effect are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. W. S. Philpot, of Albany, Ga., says: "During a bilious attack I took one. Small as it was it did me more good than calomel, blue mass or any other pill I ever took and at the same time the effect was pleasant. Little Early Risers are certainly an ideal pill." Sold by G. R. Wiley.

STARK, N. H.

Miss Belle Aubin has returned from a week's vacation in Westbrook.

Miss Alice Laughlin is spending two weeks at her home in Concord.

Miss Freeman of Boston was in town last week.

Charles Leighton and family, Jonathan Lary and family, and Miss Nellie Tucker started Wednesday for their new home in Port Townsend, Washington.

Mrs. Ira Cole and Miss Mary Maguire were in Portland last week.

Mr. Whipple of Groveton was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Lizzie Owens of Dummer was in West Milan Wednesday.

Clerk—S. F. Abbott.
Treasurer—Asa West.
Executive Committee—Sidney Abbott, Ingalls Bragg, J. Holton Abbott, Mrs. H. E. Hall, Mrs. J. Holton Abbott.

Clayton Sweet has returned to the Lakes.

Florence Thomas is visiting relatives in Norway.

Chas. Keyo has returned to Rumford Falls, improved in health.

Miss Abbie Whi man who has been a guest of Mrs. George Abbott, has returned to her home at Bryant Pond.

Miss Mollie Fox of Dorchester, Mass., who has been visiting her relatives, has returned to her home.

George Deswold and Willard Newhall have gone to the Lakes to work.

Mr. Y. A. Thurston is putting another story on his house, and making other improvements.

Mrs. Lloyd Barnes has a large stock of millinery, and is prepared to furnish hats and bonnets of the latest styles.

Mr. Augustine Ohol finished his engagement, Sept. 4, and has returned to Hartford Theological seminary to resume his studies.

Rev. Mr. Holden arrived from England, the 8th, and preached the 11th. He had a fine trip.

Mrs. Lincoln Dresser entertained the Congregational circle on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Thomas Barber of South Framingham, Mass., was a guest of Mrs. Lincoln Dresser for a few days, recently.

Rev. C. D. Crane, state president of the Y. P. S. C. E., will give an address on Thursday evening. He will be accompanied by Miss Cook who will give a recital on Friday evening. Miss Cook has been a teacher of elocution, and comes to us well recommended.

Bert Pulsifer of Auburn, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Merrill.

Henry Hedge who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Poor, has returned to his home in Brookline, Mass.

Mr. Wm. Cushman who has been spending a short vacation at his home, has returned to his work in Norway.

Ayer's

For coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma, weak throats, weak lungs, consumption, take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Cherry Pectoral

Always keep a bottle of it in the house. We have been saying this for 60 years, and so have the doctors.

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Mrs. J. K. Norcross, Waltham, Mass.

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The Lungs

Daily action of the bowels is necessary. Aid nature with Ayer's Pills.

Herman Maguire was thrown from a wagon and the ligaments in one shoulder badly strained, recently.

Miss Josie Pratt worked for Mrs. Esther Ellingwood part of last week.

Frank Blake was in Groveton Thursday.

The ground was quite white with snow Thursday morning.

Harry Cole was in Groveton Friday.

From 148 to 92 Pounds.

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep-seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I ran down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough, strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight health and strength" Sold by G. R. Wiley.

BRYANT POND.

Mr. J. A. Archibald of Lancaster, N. H., was the guest of Mr. D. D. Peverley, Sunday night. He went to South Paris, Monday.

Work at the cornshop finished, Saturday. It is expected they will begin labeling the last of this week.

E. J. Mann is visiting his uncle in Philadelphia. He will return home with Archie Felt.

Mr. Woodbury Blodgett who has been away visiting relatives returned last Saturday.

In spite of the cold evening, many were out to view the torch-light parade and hear the band, last Thursday evening, in honor of the sheriff-elect. There was also quite a crowd at the dance in Dudley's hall.

C. R. Dunham was in town, Thursday night.

The party from Portland who have been at Camp Comfort for the past two weeks, returned to their homes, Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Clark and son have returned after several weeks' absence. While away they visited the doctor's old home in New Brunswick.

Emergency Medicines.

It is a great convenience to have at hand reliable remedies for use in cases of accident and for slight injuries and ailments. A good liniment and one that is fast becoming a favorite if not a household necessity is Chamberlain's Pain Balm. By applying it promptly to a cut, bruise or burn it allays the pain and causes the injury to heal in about one-third the time usually required, and as it is an antiseptic it prevents any danger of blood poisoning. When Pain Balm is kept at hand a sprain may be treated before inflammation sets in, which insures a quick recovery.

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It is a wonderful tonic and builder of flesh and muscle. Makes weakly children strong and robust. For over 50 years used and praised by mothers everywhere. 35 cents at all druggists.

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THE WISE USE OF MONEY.

The True Meaning of Economy is Not Saving Carefully.

"We had a discussion the other day on economy," said Cynthia, "and we found that it did not mean not spending, but, rather, the best use of one's means, so that we may talk about the economy of the very rich as well as the economy of the not rich. She who spends \$10,000 a year on frocks may spend it economically or brainlessly; in fact, economy means administration—the administration of one's means.

"Another thing we decided was that the cleverest economists of small means were those who had had at some time or other the liberal education of being rich. The woman who has had always to economize is only partly educated. She must, to be really successful, have had either the administration of larger means or else must have had examples close to her from which she could copy. And in this connection I always remember a story I heard of a moderately well-off young man who chose as his wife one of the daughters of a \$1,000 a year clergyman, thinking she would be so versed in economies she would make the very best use of his income. But a hideous surprise awaited him. She had not the least idea what to do with greater means; in fact, she made a wretched appearance before the world with his income, and finally got into debt. The unfortunate young man, would have had his household infinitely better administered by a girl brought up in a rich family, who would have learned how to get the best value for a good household allowance. There is no mistake about it that spending needs education as well as saving."

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GROVER HILL.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Barnard who have been at Freeland Bennett's for some weeks, started for their home, Bellows Falls, Vt., Monday afternoon.

I. A. Paine is doing carpenter work for R. R. Mayberry.

Miss Edna Stearns of Milan, N. H., is teaching in Vermont this fall.

Albert Browne of Waterford, has been the guest of his uncles, True and Levi Browne, quite recently.

Burt Browne of Albany has been pressing the hay that he harvested on the late D. M. Grover farm this season.

Several from this place attended the County Fair.

Will Hutchinson is at home from the shop while his young son, Erwin, is suffering with a broken leg. The boy is doing quite nicely although it was necessary to encase both legs in the cast to keep him quiet.

George Goddard visited friends on Grover Hill Monday.

Ethel Grover who has been staying at the home of her uncle, A. B. Grover, has returned home.

Peter Wheeler is getting out fir for shingle bolts.

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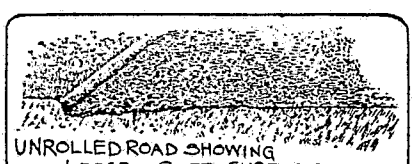


THE IMPORTANCE OF ROLLING.

Proper Attention Will Save Much Hard Work on Roads.

Earth is composed of small, irregular fragments which touch each other at points, leaving voids between. In the building or maintaining of earth roads it is very desirable that these irregular particles be packed into as small a space as possible, in order that surplus water may not pass in and destroy the stability of the road. To this end rolling is very beneficial. The work of maintaining dirt roads will be much increased by lack of care in properly rolling the surface.

After the material has been placed on the surface, it should not be left for traffic to consolidate or for rain to wash off into the ditches, but should be carefully surfaced and then rolled. If loose earth is left in the middle of a road, the narrow tire wheels will cut it and knead it into uneven ridges and ruts, which hold water, and this ultimately results, if in the winter season, in a sticky, muddy surface, and in dry weather in covering the surface with dust. If, however, the surface be crowned with a road machine and properly rolled with a heavy roller, it can usually be made sufficiently firm and smooth to sustain the traffic without keep rutting and to resist the



penetrating action of the water. The rolling not only consolidates the small particles of earth and leaves less space for water, but puts the road in proper shape for travel immediately.

Effects of Bad Highways.

An illustration of the cost of bad roads to the agricultural portion of the country may be had in an example recently witnessed in Texas. A crop of onions raised by irrigation at Carso Springs was being hauled forty miles to the nearest station on the International and Great Northern Railroad, where it was delivered at 1 1/2 cents per pound. As the yield was 25,000 pounds to the acre, this crop was worth \$375 at the station, but to place it there the charge was 50 cents per 100 pounds, or \$10 per ton, or per acre's yield \$125, causing a net loss to the farmer of 33 per cent.

The Macadam Road.

The macadam road consists of a deep foundation of large stones, laid as smoothly together as possible, the foundation stones being of a nearly uniform size. A layer of smaller stones is placed over the foundation and rolled down, binding the two together. Then layers of crushed stone, each layer being of finer quality than its predecessor, are rolled into and over the foundations. The final layer is of very fine crushed stone. The whole settles itself into a compact mass, almost as smooth as a flagstone, from which water runs off as soon as it falls.

The Location of Roads.

The aim in making a road is to establish the easiest, shortest and most economical line of travel. It is therefore desirable that roads should be firm, smooth, comparatively level, and fit for use at all seasons of the year; that they should be properly located so that their grades shall be such that loaded vehicles may be drawn over them without great loss of energy; that they should be properly constructed, the roadbed graded, shaped and rolled; and that they should be surfaced with the best available material suited to their needs.

The Profit of Good Roads.

Now that the country is measurably well supplied with railroads which haul the farmer's products to market at an average rate of a half a cent a ton per mile, it begins to be of prime importance that the average cost of hauling from the farm to the railway station should be reduced. The Department of Agriculture claims that this cost could be reduced two thirds by the simple substitution of good macadamized roads for the ordinary dirt highways now in use.

Value of Proper Care.

The large majority of roads for some time to come will require only earth for their construction, and for this reason it is essential to the prosperity of each community that the earth road be properly cared for.

Use of the Roller.

A hand-roller is a good tool for certain uses at certain times. But never use it when the soil is wet. The roller, like the weeder, is a "dry-weather" tool.

Cost of a Good Road.

The cost of road building varies in the different places according to the topography of the country and the proximity of the stone used.

New York's Road Fund.

The largest appropriation for good roads was that made at the last session of the New York Legislature. It was a million and a half.

Some workmen upon fixing their leaders high on the south wall of the council chamber at Abington, England, found a swarm of bees.

WHAT THE PRESIDENT READS.

Gratifies Versatile Taste by Using Odd Minutes.

President Roosevelt is the kind of man who would make himself at home anywhere, whether in the backwoods of the West, in the stately home the United States provides its Presidents, or anywhere in the wide range that lies between these extremes. Healthy in mind and body, he is gifted with the cheery nature whose price is above rubies.

The President is an omnivorous reader. At one turn of conversation he is reminded of a passage in "Homer," the next he is expatiating on the history of "Littlebit Titmouse." As for Dickens, he knows him so intimately that he would have been a dangerous competitor in the contest initiated by Calverley in his famous examination paper on "Pickwick." If the President had failed, Senator Cabot Lodge would certainly have won the prize. Any who talk of the decadence of Dickens should come to Washington and mix with the cultured men of business who direct the destinies of the United States. They would speedily discover their error.

How does the President, a man upon whose personal labor the sun never sets, find time for this miscellaneous reading? Well, all over the world it is the exceptionally busy man who has spare moments for desirable ends. President Roosevelt shares a secret possessed by Mr. Gladstone whom in his animated and varied conversation, with its wide range and intimate acquaintance with any topic started, he strongly resembles.

"All my life," Mr. G. once said to me, "I have taken care of my ten minutes, certain that the hours and the days would take care of themselves."

"I read when I can," the President says, "always a bit before I go to bed. Sometimes, at periods of great pressure, I awake about 3 in the morning; if I lay there thinking of things I should be worried to death, until for my work in the coming day. So I switch on the light, take up my book, read a chapter or two, fall asleep, and wake up bright and early."—Toby, M. P., in Punch.

A Well Once Used as a Safe.

Edwin Curd, of Fulton, tells an interesting story of the way in which the proprietors of the old Western Bank, the first bank in Callaway County, took care that bushwhackers should not get away with their gold deposits in the Civil War. In an old tobacco warehouse in Fulton stands a big iron safe. It was bought by the Western Bank and shipped by water from St. Louis in 1856. It weighs three tons and a half and cost \$1,300. It played a leading part in Callaway County financial matters during the Civil War, and at one time, in 1862, contained \$50,000 in gold. Conditions were very unsettled, and bands of predatory soldiers and bushwhackers were prowling over the country in every direction committing many outrages as well as fighting with one another. The officers of the bank, of which Mr. Curd was president, got nervous for fear one of these bands should make a raid on the town, crack the safe and take all the gold. The directors held several consultations, and it was at last agreed that Mr. Curd, Colonel W. T. Snell and Ed. Parker should make a secret disposition of the treasure. One man suggested that it be buried in a haystack, but this scheme was rejected.

"I ventured the idea," says Mr. Curd, "that we drop it to the bottom of a well back of John Bartley's store—it stood where the Adams block is now, and the well was on the west end of the lot—and my suggestion was adopted. I wanted to throw the gold into the well loose, but the other two thought it best to put it in sacks, for fear it would get so scattered that we would not find it all. I told them that I had separated the gold in its raw state from the dirt in California and felt sure that I could find \$20 gold pieces in what came out of a well here at home. But they had their way, and the \$50,000 were divided into several parts and each part wrapped in a sack and tied securely and put into the well. There it stayed for about two years, and when the terrors of the war had about subsided and it was thought safe to raise the treasure we tried to bring it up by attaching hooks to the sacks and hoisting it to the surface. But that would not work, for the sacks had rotted and the weight of the coin caused them to break, and after the water had been taken out the loose coins were gathered together again. The secret regarding where the money was hidden was not known to any one, but the three who placed it in the well—not even by the other directors of the bank. When the well scheme was first broached, it was said that the bushwhackers might in some way hear of its being there and would dip the water out and secure the booty; but I told them that while a gang was dipping all that water we could surely get a posse big enough to make matters uncomfortable for them.—Kansas City Journal.

Pope Plus in Leo's Apartment.

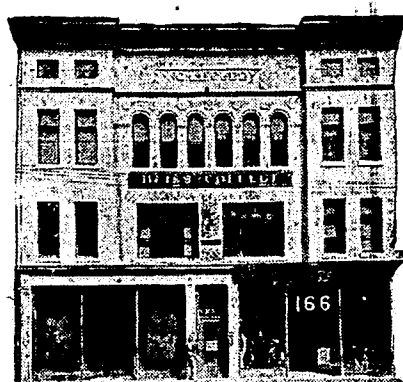
Pope Plus has taken the apartment recently occupied by Pope Leo, which has been entirely renovated. Cardinal Merry del Val has left the Borgias apartment the occupation of which aroused so much discussion in the press it being feared that injury would be done to the masterpieces of Pinturicchio which are there. The Cardinal went to an apartment called Ledokowski, where the Cardinal of that name took refuge during the Kulturkampf.

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If you wish a cake to be light, put it into a very hot oven at first and let the oven cool after the first twenty minutes.

For every use to which brandy is ordinarily put in cooking, boiled cider is just as good. Boiled sweet cider will reduce to one-fourth its original volume.

Bones for soup should be chopped quite small, and the stock in which they are put allowed to simmer only, never to actually boil, if you want to extract all the goodness.

A scant half cupful of strained tomatoes, placed on the pan where lamb or mutton is roasting, greatly improves the flavor of the meat. The tomato, of course, is used in the basting.

To Avoid Freckling and Tanning.

Neck and arms are often discolored and rendered unsightly in evening dress because of exposure in out-of-door sports. Long sleeves to a bathing suit are apt to be clumsy, but one will find a good protection for the hands and arms in the long silk mitts that meet the sleeve. It coarsens the texture of the skin to expose it too much to the weather. While out-of-door life improves the general health, it also improves the skin, but one should avoid freckling, burning and tanning the skin too frequently. The exposed skin can be made much less sensitive to the action of the sun's rays by first treating it to a good coating of cold cream, thoroughly rubbed in, and then applying powder. Avoid washing for some hours after exposure to sunshine or if necessary use water as hot as can be endured.

Turban of Pink Roses.

Flower hats are again in vogue and a turban is made of open pink roses,



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Woman's Rights Recognized.

The Isle of Man granted the electoral suffrage to women in 1880. The Madras presidency recognized female voters in 1885. New Zealand gave its womanhood the electoral franchise in 1883. Victoria has passed a women's suffrage bill and women have the right to sit in the federal house in Australia.

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small streams flowing into the North Sea, it is easily irrigated, and naturally adapted to market gardening and stock raising. Most of the cows are stall fed all the year; plenty of good water and food is supplied them with great punctuality. They are combed and brushed and kept scrupulously clean at all times. The farms are enabled to furnish more than one-half of the butter and beef used by the people, though they are not such great beef eaters as the people of England and the United States.

Milk Cows by Electricity.

Farmers and dairymen will be interested in a novel method of milking cows which has been recently tried in Germany. It is nothing short of an electrical apparatus.

Rubber hoods are attached to the udder of the cow. These hoods are connected with a vessel for receiving the milk by means of a rubber tube, from which the air is exhausted by means of the electrical device. It is claimed that the suction thus secured resembles very closely the sucking of a calf, and that for this reason the cow "lets down" her milk more freely than when milked by hand.

Change the Cow's Feed Slowly.

Farmers should change cows from dry feed to grass very slowly, particularly if the flow of milk is large. Young immature grass, especially in the early days of spring, contains a large amount of water.

Wheat and rye pasture are of the same nature. This feed is commonly called "washy," and dry feed should therefore be continued and reduced gradually for two weeks or more after the cows are turned into pasture, even if the grass is large enough for feeding.

Cream Separator Indispensable.

The cream separator saves more money than any other dairy machine ever invented. It saves setting and skimming milk, and allows the skim milk to be fed to calves or pigs, when it is still warm, and it gets more cream from the milk than can be got by any other system. A hand separator will save its cost in one year for any one who has five or six cows.

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The farmers in Denmark have learned how to make money in co-operating in selling their products. They have after 22 years reached a very nearly perfect system, by means of which they get much higher prices than their competitors, and have quadrupled their exports. Their exports are largely dairy products, and England is the principal market.

Serving Milk Warm.

When milk is served soon after it is drawn it is frequently not cooled by artificial means and in small towns supplied by dairymen who drive in twice each day, it is often delivered warm from the cow. To many persons this is a guaranty of its purity, but milk served in this way will sour in a short time.

Grain for Cows.

Cows fed on grain while on pasture will produce much more milk than if pasture alone is allowed; therefore, if a large yield is of more importance than economy of production, grain should be fed.

Always Have a Good Milker.

Often times a poor milker can almost ruin the most valuable cow, for the best animals are always of nervous temperament and very easy to influence by rough treatment, irregular milking and the like.

Keeping Butter a Long Time.

For long keeping butter, a little more age and ripeness must be given to the cream, than when the rosy aroma is wanted.

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Wouldn't any woman be happy, after years of backache suffering, days of misery, nights of unrest, the distress of urinary troubles, to find relief and cure? No reason why any reader should suffer in the face of evidence like this:

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lack of circulation. Had a knife been thrust into my kidneys the pain could not have been more intense. My sleep was disturbed by visions of distorted figures. The kidney secretions were annoyingly irregular, and I was tortured with thirst and always bloated. I used seven boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills. The bloating subsided until I weighed 100 pounds less, could sleep like a child and was relieved of the pain and the irregularity of the kidney action. My circulation is good and I feel better in every way."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Jackson will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists; price, 50 cents per box.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Patience—"Is her husband in trade?"—Patrice—"No; he was sold out by the sheriff last week."

When bilious take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. For Sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; H. W. Dennison, West Bethel; E. L. Tebbets, Locke's Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead.

If it's a poor rule that won't work both ways, what about the rule that won't work either way?

Making Friends Every Day.

This can truthfully be said of JELL-O ICE CREAM POWDER, the new product for making the most delicious ice cream ever eaten; everything in the package. Nothing tastes so good in hot weather. All grocers are placing it in stock. If your grocer can't supply you, send 25c. for a package by mail. Four kinds: Vanilla, Chocolate, Strawberry and Unflavored. Address, the Genesee Pure Food Co., Box 295, LeRoy, N. Y.

Grover—"Oh, by the way, do you have steam heat in your flat?" Forester—"Only in summer; and we are away then, so we don't mind, you know."

When troubled with constipation try Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are easy to take and produce no griping or other unpleasant effect.

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A Wise Choice: "How does Punchup's second wife get along with his seven small boys?" "Oh, beautifully; she used to be a teacher in a reform school."

Nellie Fuller, Denver—"My face was full of pimples and black heads. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea has driven them away. People hardly know me. I'm looking fine." 35 cents. Tea or tablets.

G. R. WILEY.

Piet Cronje, the ex-Boer commandant, has been married, and we understand that the second Mrs. Cronje objects to her husband being described as a hero of a hundred engagements.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature on every box.

A Good Fall: "He's just a bad egg." "Yes? Wouldn't it be awful if he should fall and be broke?" "He did fall once and it kept him from being broke. He fell heir to half a million."

Mary—Sponge the pimples with warm water. You need a blood tonic, would advise you to take. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea it drives away all eruptions. 35 cents. Tea or tablet form.

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SOURCE OF HEALTH.

Fresh Interests for Your Mind and Fresh Air for Young Lungs is the Secret.

A lady who has been considered a semi-invalid all her life tells me she is robust, strong and well, the cure caused by her automobile.

There are two explanations for this result. One is the fresh air she has taken into her lungs, the other the fresh interest taken into her mind.

It is only when the mind falls asleep or in a torpor and leaves the door unguarded that disease creeps in and attacks the fortress of the body.

The woman who is enthused with the excitement of her automobile exercise, and who looks forward to her daily spin with animation, has little room in her mind for worry about the weak organs in her body.

The bicycle craze cured thousands of complaining women of imaginary ills and hundreds of ailments which have become realities.

A man crippled with rheumatic pains for years, thrown from a carriage into a winter river, extricated himself and walked a mile to shelter and was free from rheumatism afterward.

All ailing women cannot be provided with automobiles, but all can make daily demands to the great source of health, joy, usefulness, action, love and power for these qualities, and those who ask shall receive. —Ella Wheeler Wilcox in Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

Stimulating the Scalp.

The massage of the scalp is at the root of all treatment of the hair. By stimulating the flow of blood to the scalp new vigor is given to the hair. Without this massage hair restoratives are of little avail. Now, this massage may be better done by a masseur than by the person who is growing bald, but it is possible for that individual to massage his own scalp well enough to do the hair a great deal of good. The hands should be half folded and the ends of the fingers made to touch the scalp lightly. Then rub them slowly over the scalp. It is convenient to begin at the back of the neck and rub the scalp slowly up the center of the head to the forehead. Then the rubbing should be done all over the head from one side of the scalp to the other. It should be repeated several times. The same glow that the expensive fingers of the masseur produce follows, showing that the circulation in the scalp has been stimulated. The fingers should be pressed on the scalp with sufficient force to cause the blood to tingle.

London's Kilted Lady. The new woman, attired in the latest development of her idea of re-



The New Woman in Kilts.

A stoutly built lady was seen walking jauntily down New Bridge street, apparently quite unconscious or indifferent to the amusement that her appearance caused to the passers by.

Her costume consisted of a dark blue coat and skirt—or, rather, kilt—which reached to just above the knees, disclosing beneath a neat pair of knickerbockers of the same material. A pair of thick, black woolen stockings and low shoes completed her attire.—London Mirror.

To Break Up a Cold.

The following is said to cure a cold in the head: In the morning after rising and at night before retiring wash the feet and legs as high up as the knees in cold water; then rub them with a rough towel and massage them till the skin is red and glowing. In addition to this cautiously sniff tepid water up the nose frequently during the day and sip with a teaspoonful a glassful as hot as can be borne an hour before each meal and at bedtime. A few days is often quite sufficient for simple cases and obstinate ones yield if the treatment is prolonged. No medicines are required. If taken in the first stages of the disease a cold is broken up which might otherwise become a severe case of bronchitis, lasting many days or weeks.

Women as Jewelers.

It is remarkable that more women do not take up the jewelry business when searching for a trade. A woman can cater to woman's tastes, and with an apprenticeship under a good firm should be capable of starting in for herself. An Englishwoman has taken up the work and is successful in reselling stones and also has acquired the unusual art of painting precious stones. This is delightful work for a woman, though rather trying to the eyes.

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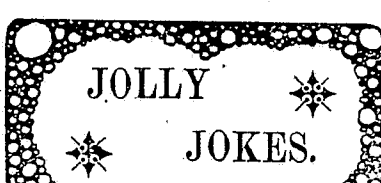
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SONNET OF A FARM HAND.

How little sense them people have who think
The crowded city, with its dirt and heat
Is fit to live in—my! that sun does beat

Down hard enough to almost make me sink
Here in my tracks! They work with pens and ink
Day after day for just enough to eat

And wear, poor fools, and never know how sweet
Life is out here—oh, for a good, cold drink!

Just look at them there fields all wavin' green—
Confound the flies!—it's like a picture, most,

With everything so bright and pure and clean—
By Heck, I almost feel as though I'd roast!

This is the longest day I ever seen;
I've got to rest or I'll give up the ghost.

—Chicago Record-Herald.

Dutch Royalty.

The visit of Wilhelmina, queen of Holland, to Italy recalls her life in Florence with her mother in her girlhood. They lived in a modest way, going out daily on foot. It is related that they were going along the Lung Arno, when they were accosted by a beggar.

The queen regent wanted to push on, fearing that her daughter might catch some fearful disease, but the little queen, having a will of her own, insisted on stopping. She questioned the man in broken Italian, believing herself quite unknown, and on proceeding gave him half a franc.

He looked from the silver in his hand to her, and then back again, and at last said, with an air of impertinence: "So your subjects keep you as short as that! Poor queen!"—New York Tribune.

Artless Art.

Brushy—DeAuber got \$25 for a little drawing he made last night.
Palette—So! What did he draw?
Brushy—Three aces to a pair of kings.

Serious Indeed.

La Mont—Dispatches say that serious firing was heard off Port Arthur.
La Moyné—Serious? Gracious! Maybe some one fired their cook.

Uninstructed.

"Binks overcame a lot of obstacles," said Banks to his wife. "He never went to school in his life, but he is a successful business man and prominent enough to be sent as a delegate to the St. Louis convention."
"Oh, I know!" exclaimed Mrs. Banks. "He's one of those uninstructed delegates the papers tell about."—Cleveland Leader.

Blissful Ignorance.

"Women," remarked the old bachelor, "care nothing for art, as a rule."
"Oh, they don't, eh?" sneered the man who had been up against the matrimonial game for seven long years. "You evidently don't know the first principles of the feminine make-up."

Proper Place.

"Look here, jailor," said the transient guest at the police station, "this place isn't fit to keep a hog in."
"This place isn't intended for hogs," replied the keeper of the keys. "We send them to the pen. See?"

At the Seashore.

The Husband—I think you are, getting a little thinner, dear."
The Wife—What makes you think so, James?
"Why, when you go in the water it does not seem to rise as high as it used to!"—Yonkers Statesman.

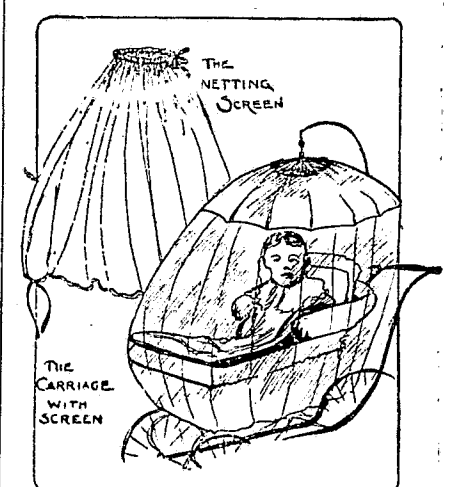
In Great Luck.

"You've overdrawn your account, madam," said the cashier.
"How lovely!" said the fair depositor. "I never expected to be able to get ahead of the bank that way!"—Chicago Post.

COMFORT FOR THE BABY.

Flies and Mosquitoes Must Be Kept Away in Summer.

Here is a way to make your baby carriage comfortable during the hot months. It will cost almost nothing in the way of time, trouble or money, and will mean endless comfort for both mother and baby. Half a yard of fine wire, four yards of mosquito netting and a bunch of white tape will be all that is necessary. Make a circle of the wire and sew the netting on it as shown in the cut, leaving an opening at one side. Run the tape through the bottom hem and slip the whole thing over the top of the carriage parasol, drawing in the tape and tying it under the carriage. See that there are no flies or mosquitoes inside before you close the side opening. Babies suffer untold misery from flies during the hot weather. Think of having three or four sticky flies on your face and not being able to brush them off. The baby will sleep just twice as long if safely enclosed in this cage. It won't cost more than twenty-five cents nor take more than half an hour to make. The result will be a happy baby and a mother who can enjoy a few minutes leisure to read or sew.



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GOLDEN NUGGETS FOR SALLOW PEOPLE
Five Hundred Thousand: Tess—"I can't understand what he saw in her. Her face is decidedly plain." Jess—"Yes but the figure she has makes up for all that." Tess—"Figure?" She's positively scrawny. She has no figure." Jess—"You're mistaken. She has six figures, and the first one's a five."

Westward the orb of glory takes its way, Wisconsin is the state you hear everybody say, It's made itself famous by one great stride; Rocky Mountain Tea has made its name world wide
G. R. WILBY.

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In a Living Grave.

A curious freak of nature is exhibited in the Idaho department of the Palace of Mines and Metallurgy, at the World's Fair. It is a ram's skull and horns, imbedded deeply in the trunk of a tree. One horn projects into the air, but of the skull and the other horn only the upper surface is visible, all the rest being inclosed within the solid wood. The section of trunk displayed has been split down the center, and when the exposed surface, at the rear, representing the very heart of the tree, is examined the tip of the buried horn and a corner of the skull are seen to protrude through it.

The tree of which this is a portion was a white pine, growing on the middle fork of the Salmon river, about forty miles in a direct line from Summit City, Idaho. The horns, which are easily identifiable as belonging to the male of the mountain sheep, were found at a point nine feet from the ground. Local experts, by counting the rings on the horns and the circles of yearly growth in the log, have come to the conclusion that the sheep had lived for more than a century when it descended or ascended into its living grave, and that the tree itself was about twenty or twenty-five years old at the time, which must have been at least eighty or ninety years ago.

Many conflicting theories have been advanced to account for this curious find. Some maintain that the animal must have been carried into the tree in a snowslide from a higher part of the mountain. Others advance the hypothesis that a freshet was responsible for the freak, the tree having been found near the shores of a creek. The ram must have fallen or leaped against the tree so violently that one of its horns became too deeply imbedded for it to extricate it, especially as it was too far from the ground to obtain a foothold; and it then remained suspended in the air alive until it died of starvation or succumbed to the attacks of birds of prey.

The place where the specimen was found was so far remote that it was necessary to pack it on horseback for fifty miles along the devious mountain trails in order to get it to a wagon road.

What's in a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for Piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding Piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases, DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Sold by G. R. Wiley.

Modern Demands: "Do you believe in the 'barrel' in politics?" "Not any more," answered Senator Sorghum. "A man ought to have a hoghead in order to amount to anything these days."

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Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy. It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and Home of Swamp-Root, dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

Extra Premium Offered by Riverside Park Association.

The Riverside Park Association are offering an extra premium of \$100.00 on draft horses which should certainly call out a good field of horses.

\$60.00 will go to the pair winning the largest number of points.

\$25.00 will go to the pair winning the second largest number of points.

\$15.00 will go to the pair winning the third largest number of points. It is stipulated that the prizes will not be awarded for a walkover and in case of only two entries the second and third prizes will be awarded. Points will be considered as follows:

For best drawing from a cart or wagon with wheels blocked,	7 points
Best plowing,	7 points
Best condition (apart from shoeing) and general appearance,	6 points
Best shoeing,	2 points
Best backing with load,	2 points
Best condition of cart and harness,	1 point
Total	25 points

Three competent and fair minded men to act as judges. The object is to discover the best all-round team.

The only condition for entering this contest will be to pay the admission at the gate. This certainly is an opportunity, the like of which was never known at Riverside Park before, and it certainly should call out a fine field of draft horses. Let all take an interest in this and make a good showing.

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Postmaster Smart's Registered Letter.

One of the peculiar incidents of the recent wreck at the Maine State Fair grounds was the finding in the wreckage by Postmaster Smart of Lewiston of a registered letter, addressed "Postmaster, Lewiston, Me."

It was torn straight across the middle disclosing within the ragged ends of a package of bank bills. The postmaster counted them and found that there were the halves of \$268. On Tuesday morning, Joseph Plante, in the employ of Le Messenger of Lewiston came to the Lewiston postoffice and handed to Postmaster Smart, the other half of the registered letter, money and enclosures all intact.

It was found at quite a distance from the place where the other half was found.

The two halves fit together perfectly and thus the postmaster's \$268 are miraculously restored to him.

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A Deer Done.

One of the most sensational, daring and dastardly outrages that ever occurred in Maine, was perpetrated last week in Franklin county, the victim being William G. Harlow, a well-known and respected citizen of Dixfield. Upon a recent visit to Portland Mr. Harlow met a stranger who gave the name of Leroy A. French and claimed to be an officer of the United States Secret Service, assigned the State of Maine to apprehend counterfeiters.

Later, French came to Dixfield, where he met Mr. Harlow and they went to the Lakes, stopping nearly a week at different hotels, most of the time at the Rangelay Lake House.

On Monday afternoon of last week, Harlow was induced to go several miles into the woods where he was robbed, after being wounded by a revolver in the hands of French, of all his money, checks, watch, chain and diamond ring, and compelled to make out a check to his (French's) order for \$350, and sign some other paper, Mr. Harlow does not know just what.

Continuing in his high-handed course, French took Harlow to Farmington and lodged him in jail, claiming he was a counterfeiter whom he had wounded while resisting arrest. He next tried to cash the check for \$350 which he compelled Harlow to make out to his order, and two other checks properly endorsed, which he took from Harlow's person. The bank cashier refused to cash the checks till French was identified. Suddenly an officer appeared with a warrant for French's arrest on the charge of larceny of a team and French was taken to the county jail.

French was held on three counts, robbery of a watch, chain diamond ring, cash and checks; assault with intent to kill; and larceny of a horse, wagon, etc., and placed under bonds. On one case in the sum of \$5,000, on another \$500, and others are held over him.

The officers are much pleased at the capture of French and believe he will prove to be a notorious crook.

Especially care should be taken to keep the chicken houses clean. If the droppings are allowed to lie, they form an inviting breeding ground for insect pests. They also invite disease. Sanitary conditions have very much to do with the health of a flock.

Brown vs. White Eggs.
It is a curious fallacy that the brown colored egg is necessarily superior to the ordinary white egg; a belief which has led to the practice of artificially coloring the latter in imitation of the former. It is doubtful whether the color of the shell bears any relationship to the nourishing quality of the egg. As those who rear poultry know, it is merely an indication of the strain of the laying bird. Still, a preference is very commonly shown for the brown or coffee colored egg; the color is attractive, and led by the eye, the choice is very generally made in favor of what is regarded as the richer and superior article.—Lancet.

Basement for Incubator.
Unless it is occasionally in a cellar with a dirt floor, incubators are very rarely put on the ground. They need to be level and this condition is more difficult to meet in such a place. A cellar with a brick or cement floor is much better. Certainly the machine can be kept in the house. That is the place where the greater part are kept, I believe, as it is the exception when the cellar of a house is either dry enough or sufficiently well ventilated for successful hatching. The machine needs to be where the outside temperature is as nearly even as possible. A room where the heat in the middle of the day rises to 90 degrees or over, and falls to 60 to 70 degrees at night is not a good place for an incubator. A basement room is perhaps a nearly ideal place, provided there is good ventilation.

POULTRY NOTES.

Do not feed the young turkeys with the little chicks; they do not get along well together.

Every farmer should raise a few ducks; they are not much trouble and very profitable.

If your little chicks are continually crying and are morish, it is because they are lousy.

The drinking fountain of the chickens should be kept in the shade in order to keep the water cool. Warm water does not agree with poultry.

Clear Weeds Away.
Do not allow weeds and grass to grow up around the bee-hives so as to obstruct the entrance. Bank around the hives with some material so as to keep the weeds down. This is a very important matter. The entrance should be made ample size so the bees can pass out and in freely—three-eighths of an inch wide and ten inches long at least.

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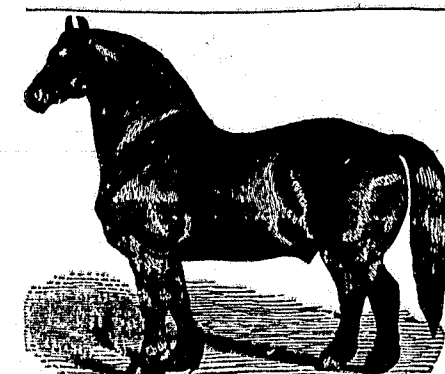
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